

**Response to Office Action Mailed July 7, 2009**

**A. Claims in the Case**

Claims 1-5, 8, 10-14, and 16-21 have been rejected. Claims 11-14, 16, 17, and 19 have been objected to. Claims 11-13, 14, 16, 17, and 19 have been canceled. Claim 1 has been amended. Claims 23-28 have been added. Claims 1-5, 8, 10, 18, 20-21 and 23-28 are pending in the case.

**B. Claim Objections**

The Examiner has indicated that claims 11-14, 16, 17, and 19 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter. Furthermore, in order to expedite prosecution of the application, Applicant has amended base claim 1 to include the features of claim 19. Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1, and the claims dependent from claim 1, are in condition for allowance.

Applicant notes that new claim 23 includes the features of claim 1 in combination with the features of claim 11. New claim 24 includes the features of claim 12. New claim 25 includes the features of claim 1 in combination with the features of claim 13. New claim 26 includes the features of claim 1 in combination with the features of claim 14. New claim 27 includes the features of claim 1 in combination with the features of claim 16. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 23-27 are in condition for allowance.

**C. The Claims Are Not Obvious Over The Cited Art Pursuant To 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)**

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-8, 10, 15, 18, and 20-21 as being unpatentable over U.S. Publication No. 2003/0051960 to Li et al. ("Li") in view of U.S. Publication No. 2002/0148697 to Muramatsu et al. ("Muramatsu"). Applicant respectfully disagrees with this rejection. In order to expedite prosecution, however, Applicant has amended claim 1 in accordance with the Examiner's statements regarding allowable subject matter.

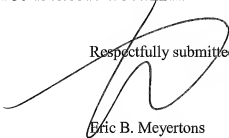
Applicant submits that claims 2-8, 10, 15, 18, and 20-21 are also allowable over the cited art.

**D. Summary**

For at least the reasons cited above, Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicant respectfully requests a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated December 8, 2009. A fee authorization is enclosed for the extension of time fee. If any further extension of time is required, Applicant hereby requests the appropriate extension of time. If any fees are inadvertently omitted or if any additional fees are required or have been overpaid, please appropriately charge or credit those fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5310-09300/EBM

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